

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section on page 1 as follows:

The present application is a continuation application of Application Serial No. 10/073,761 filed February 11, 2002, now United States Patent No. 6,796,981, the contents of which are herein incorporated by reference, which is a continuation-in-part application of Application Serial No. 09/408,944 filed September 30, 1999, now United States Patent No. 6,398,779, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/105,417, filed on October 23, 1998.

Please amend page 14, line 14 through line 17 with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIGS. 7A and 7B illustrate ~~Fig. 7 illustrates~~ a presently preferred electrosurgical generator output waveform of RMS current vs. time for implementing at least the first pulse of the pulsed operation mode that is an aspect of this disclosure;

Please amend page 27, line 16 through line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Discussing this aspect of the disclosure now in further detail, and referring as well to ~~Figs. 7~~ FIGS. 7A, 7B and 8, the selected Seal Parameter Table, adjusted by the Seal Intensity front panel settings is the utilized by the RF energy generation system and an initial RF sealing pulse is then started.